

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

10:00 am Worship



McFARLAND LUTHERAN CHURCH

SHARE GOD'S WORD | SHOW GOD'S LOVE | SERVE GOD'S WORLD

This Week at MLC

Monday, July 29

9:00 am - Giving Quilters

Tuesday, July 30

8:30 am - "Piece" Corp Quilters

Saturday, August 3

7:30 am - Women's Bible Study

7:30 am - Men's Bible Study

5:00 pm - Worship

Sunday, August 4

8:00 am - Worship

10:00 am - Worship

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Preacher - Pastor Peter Erickson

Presiding - Pastor Kelli Schmit

Assisting Minister - Paul Hundt

Lector - Molly Sanders

Musicians - Kate Kroes, Chris Landerud,
Deb Nygaard

Pianist - John Scoville

Ushers - Deb Alber, Bill Alber

Communion - Brenda Moen,
Cheryl Brown

Sacristans - Kathy Buechel, Sandy Hall

AV Leader - Ron Vandeberg

AV Assistant/Training -

Door Close - Barbra Doran

Gathering

A time to prepare ourselves for worship.

GATHERING

"Hungry"

Hungry I come to You
For I know You satisfy
I am empty but I know
Your love does not run dry

Chorus

So I wait for You
So I wait for You
I'm falling on my knees
Offering all of me
Jesus You're all this heart
Is living for

Broken I run to You
For Your arms are open wide
I am weary but I know
Your touch restores my life.

Chorus

I'm falling on my knees
Offering all of me
Jesus You're all this heart
Is living for

WELCOME

OPENING SONG

"I Have A Friend"

Vacation Bible School Children

"Standing In Need Of Prayer"

refrain

**It's me it's me oh Lord
Standin' in the need of prayer
It's me it's me oh Lord
Standin' in the need of prayer**

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER OF THE DAY

A: Let us pray.

C: Gracious God, you have placed within the hearts of all your children a longing for your word and a hunger for your truth. Grant that we may know your Son to be the true bread of heaven and share this bread with all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4:42-44 (NRSV)

Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3:14-21 (NRSV)

We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

L: Word of God, word of life.

C: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"I Love You Lord"

**I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you. O my soul, rejoice
Take joy, my King, in what you hear
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear**

P: The Holy Gospel according to John the 6th chapter:

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

John 6:1-21 (NRSV)

In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Peter Erickson

SONG OF THE DAY
"Come To The Water"

**O Let all who thirst
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord
Without money, without price
Why should you pay the price
Except for the Lord?**

**And let all who seek
Let them come to the water
And let all who have nothing
Let them come to the Lord
Without money, without strife
Why should you spend your life
Except for the Lord?**

**And let all who toil
Let them come to the water
And let all who are weary
Let them come to the Lord
All who labor, without rest**

How can your soul find rest
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor
Let them come to the water
Bring the ones who are laden
Bring them all to the Lord
Bring the children without might
Easy the load and light
Come to the Lord

Come to the Lord, Come to the Lord
Come to the Lord
I Will Run to You
I Will Run to You
I Will Run to You my Lord



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM
Avery Joan Livingston

P: Let us confess our faith together. Do you believe in God the Father?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

P: Avery Joan Livingston, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen. You belong to Christ, in whom you have been baptized. Alleluia.

P: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and the mission we share. Join us
as we give praise to God and bear God's creative and redeeming word to all
the world.**

SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

*Please greet one another in the name of the Lord with the words
"Peace be with you."*

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: In your mercy. {following each prayer petition}

C: Receive our prayer.

Holy Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

Chris Landerud "I Can't Wait/Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"
by Kieran Kane, Sean Locke, Claudia Scott
by Anthony J. Showalter, Elisha Hoffman

Scan Here to Give



OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

P: Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

C: Thanks be to God.

THE DISTRIBUTION

You are welcome at this table, the Lord's Table. Jesus is fully present to each of us in the bread and the wine. Please come forward to receive this gift of grace. If you would prefer gluten free or grape juice, please let your server know. This gift is "for you." A blessing will be given to those of any age who come forward and do not commune. The ushers will direct you as to how and when to come forward.

COMMUNION MUSIC

"Cornerstone"

**My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name**

Chorus

**Christ alone cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Saviour's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of all**

Chorus

He is Lord, Lord of all

**When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne**

Chorus

**When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Sending

God blesses us and sends us in mission to our neighbors

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG
"You're Worthy of My Praise"

**I will worship (I will worship)
With all of my heart (with all of my heart)
I will praise you (I will praise you)
With all of my strength (all my strength)
I will seek you (I will seek you)
All of my days (all of my days)
I will follow (I will follow)
All of your ways (all your ways)**

Chorus

**I will give you all my worship.
I will give you all my praise.
You alone I long to worship.
You alone are worthy of my praise**

**I will bow down (I will bow down)
Hail you as King (hail you as king)
I will serve you (I will serve you)
Give you everything (everything)
I will lift up (I will lift up)
My eyes to your throne (my eyes to your throne)
I will trust you (I will trust you)
Trust you alone (You alone)**

Chorus
(repeat)

SENDING

A: Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.
C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Welcome, Guests!

We love having guests at MLC, and we welcome you to participate fully in worship with us today! Please allow us to thank you for worshiping with us by completing a "Welcome to Worship" card in front of you in the pew-chair racks. You can put the card in the offering plate, or hand it to an usher. Thank you, and we invite you to join us again. May God bless and keep you!

Annual Meeting - July 28th

Our annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Sunday, July 28, following the 10:00 am worship service. We'll review the past year with reports from our Pastors, staff members and committees. We'll consider an amendment of our congregation's constitution, and we'll look forward to ways that we can continue to fulfill our mission in 2024-2025. We'll also elect new Council members, approve our 2024-2025 budget, and discuss other issues needing congregation approval. Please plan to attend to CELEBRATE the past, to PLAN for the future, and to THANK GOD for so richly blessing our congregation! (And there will be treats!)

Church Council Member Nominees

Our congregation will be electing four new Church Council members at our Annual Meeting on Sunday, July 28, at 11:15 a.m. Four members have graciously volunteered to be nominated for a three-year term serving on our Council beginning on July 28:

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| * Cheryl Brown | * Paul Hundt |
| * Anne Janelins | * Denny Schaaf |

Profile information for our four nominees can be found in the weekly newsletter or a paper copy can be found at the welcome desk so that you have an opportunity to find out a little bit about each of them prior to our July 28 Annual Meeting.

SINCERE THANKS to Cheryl, Anne, Denny and Paul for agreeing to be nominated to serve our congregation as Church Council members!

Welcome, Avery!

This morning we welcome Avery Livingston into the body of Christ as we celebrate her baptism. Avery is the child of True and Megan Livingston. Her baptismal sponsors are Ryan Weinberger and Molly Livingston. Welcome, Avery! And congratulations to the Livingston Family!

Stuff the Bus School Supply Drive

Each year, a handful of McFarland community organizations and businesses (including the McFarland Lions, the Lioness Lions, the American Legion Auxiliary, One Community Bank, Nelson Bus Service, and the McFarland School District) work together to conduct a 'Stuff the Bus' campaign.

Stuff the Bus is an effort to encourage community members to donate backpacks and school supplies for low-income students in the McFarland School District, to help them deal with the expenses of the new school year. After the campaign is completed, the backpacks with school supplies are then given to children of families served by the McFarland Food Pantry (which serves the school district population).

This year's Stuff the Bus campaign runs between July 27 and Saturday, August 10. If you wish to donate backpacks or school supplies, you can drop them off at the donation box located by the office of McFarland Lutheran Church now through Sunday, August 11. Or you can drop them off in the donation boxes at the village municipal center, the McFarland Library, or McFarland Pick 'N Save between July 27 and August 10. You can also drop donations off at the high school (main entrance) between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, August 10. If you wish to make a cash donation, you can send a donation to the McFarland Community Food Pantry (specify 'Stuff the Bus' on the memo line of your check), PO Box 101, McFarland WI 53558, or donate online at <https://mcfarlandfoodpantry.org/monetary-donations/> (using PayPal or Venmo), and specify 'Stuff the Bus' in a comment.

School supplies needed: themed backpacks (grades K-5); sturdy backpacks (grades 6-12); Kleenex; black Expo dry erase markers; Notebooks (college-ruled, 1-subject); #2 wood pencils (sharpened); binder dividers; whiteboard erasers; white 1-inch 3-ring binders; yellow highlighters; yellow Post-It notes; composition notebooks (wide-ruled); felt-tip pens; pocket calculators; and Ziploc bags (gallon size).

Puerto Rico Missions / Exploratory Group

Many of you have asked if there was a plan to restart Puerto Rico mission trips. These were trips with about 24 individuals, roughly equally split between youth and adults. With a change in the availability of the camp where we stayed and the Covid pandemic, it has been a few years since the last trip. The Global Mission committee and Youth Ministries would like to explore the possibility of restarting these trips. We want to form an exploratory group to investigate possibilities, considering factors such as where the group would stay, work projects, youth engagement, cost, and others. Ideally the group would consist of past trip participants, especially young people, plus to get some new perspectives, individuals who have not been on a P.R. mission trip. If you would be interested in being a part of this exploratory group to restart the Puerto Rican mission trips, please contact Ron Vandenberg, rdvandeberg@gmail.com.

Women's bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC women's bible study group as we delve into God's Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, August 3rd in room 210.**

Interested? Have questions? Please contact Sheri Gehrke at sherilgehrke@gmail.com.

Men's bible study

First Saturday/month, 7:30 a.m

Come and join the MLC men's bible study group as we delve into God's Word and enjoy fellowship time together. We are meeting on **Saturday, August 3rd in room 125.**

Interested? Have questions? Please contact Jeff Gehrke at jeffgehrke59@gmail.com or Scott Potts at scottalan23@hotmail.com

Prayer Shawl Workshop

Join us **Monday, August 5th** for a prayer shawl workshop. These workshops will be held in the Gathering Space. For more information, please contact Norma Kohl.

Book Club Schedule

The book club **meets on the third Tuesday of the month, 10:00 am** at the Skaalen Village Clubhouse. If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Ackley at 608-838-3329. Hope to see you there.

August 20 - *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See

September 17 - *The Pilot's Wife* by Anita Shreve

Altar Flowers are given **in memory of Claramae Sherry** by Paul Sherry & Myron Sherry.

Communion wine is given **in celebration of my birthday** by Margaret McCann.

Last week's attendance:

Saturday 5: 39

Sunday 8: 48

Sunday 10: 96

Total: 183

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday / 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Friday / 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

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Worship Services: Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am

- Pastoral Team:** Pastor Peter Erickson*, Senior Pastor
Pastor Kelli Schmit*, Associate Pastor
- Lay Staff:** Chris Landerud, Coordinator of Youth Ministries
John Scoville, Organist/Pianist
- Administrative Team:** Rita Jenkins*, Office Manager
Heather Wedan, Administrative Assistant
- Musicians:** Deb Nygaard, Chris Landerud, Kate Kroes
- Custodians:** Ken Brost, Sharon Strattan
- CLM Administrator:** Sara Phelan* 838-4425
- CLM Program Director:** Deb Nygaard
- CLM Preschool Teachers:** Jessica Liston, Jane Updike, Michelle Sampson, Jenny Foye,
Katie Schaaf, Beth Daoust-Miller, Sara Phelan, Deb Nygaard,
Brooke Ruengpinyophun, Kayla Langman
- CLM School Age Teacher:** Hailey Clark, Olivia Schmidt, Ashlee Bittrick, Katherine Houle
Ashlyn Altenberger, Tess Williams, Lily Gallegos
- CLM Childcare Teacher:** Rachel Scott, Kayla Langman, Kaitlyn Ackley

**Designates full-time staff; others are part-time*

2023-2024 Council Members

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| Doug Buechel | Jane Licht (Secretary) |
| Wayne Corey | Sharon Mylrea (Vice-president) |
| Mike Devine (Treasurer) | Scott Potts (President) |
| Christina Hughey | Jon Schadeberg |
| Paul Hundt | Sarah Schutt |
| Erin Kraemer | Carri Wolff |
| Matt Lancaster | |

McFarland Lutheran's Worldwide & Local Partnerships

- Our Companion Synod:** Northern Evangelical Lutheran Church of India
- Our Missionary in Egypt:** Rev. Christie Manisto
- Working Relationships With:** St. Andrews Refugee Services - Egypt
Lutheran Church of the Reconciliation - Puerto Rico
Hope 4 Kids International - Uganda
Outreach for World Hope - Guatemala